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## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2002, the date for response to which has been extended to March 27, 2002, by the Petition for Extension of Time submitted concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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## **IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:**

Please replace the entire Sequence Listing (both the written and computer readable forms) submitted with the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, dated May 17, 2001 with the enclosed Sequence Listing in written and computer readable form.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 64-74.